

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20463

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RE: MUR 5445

Carolina Majority PAC and Mark Valente III, in his official capacity as treasurer; Majority Initiative to Keep Electing Republicans (MIKE R) and Mark Valente III, in his official capacity as treasurer; and Milead Fund and Mark Brenner, in his

official capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Braden:

On April 29, 2004, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Carolina Majority PAC and Mark Valente III, as treasurer; Majority Initiative to Keep Electing Republicans (MIKE R) and Mark Valente III, as treasurer; and Milead Fund and Mark Brenner, as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On February 7, 2005, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and information provided by your clients, that there is no reason to believe your clients violated the Act in this matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

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If you have any questions, please contact Kamau Philbert, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton

General Counsel

Y: Lawrence L. Calvert Jr.

Deputy Associate General Counsel

for Enforcement

Enclosure

General Counsel's Report